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Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 08758.0001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Pere RELATS et al.) Group Art Unit: 3765
Application No.: 10/085,066) Examiner: L. WORRELL
Filed: March 1, 2002)
For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR)
PROVIDING A PROTECTING)
TUBE (as amended))

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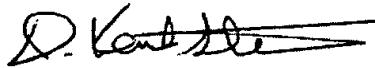
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